IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

BILL REECE, DIANE REECE, HERMAN TOLBERT, BENNETT TANKSLEY, SUSAN HOLMES, and CHARLES TACKETT, individually, and as Representatives for those seeking redress for damages,

Plaintiffs,

v.

AES CORPORATION, et al., TXD TRANSPORT, LP, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. CIV-12-457-JH

The Honorable Joe Heaton

<u>DEFENDANT TXD TRANSPORT, LP'S MOTION TO DISMISS</u> <u>PLAINTIFFS' FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT AND BRIEF IN SUPPORT</u>

Defendant, TXD Transport, LP ("TXD"), files this Rule 12(b)(6) Motion to dismiss Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint, and Brief in support.

For its Motion to Dismiss and Brief in Support, TXD adopts the arguments and authorities set forth in the Motion to Dismiss filed on behalf of XTO Energy, Inc. ("XTO") [Doc. No. 350]. Plaintiffs fail to state a claim for relief against TXD. As XTO articulates in its Motion, the allegations in the First Amended Complaint are conclusory, vague, speculative and devoid of facts stating a plausible claim for relief against TXD. These defects apply to all claims alleged against TXD including strict liability, public and private nuisance, trespass, negligence, negligence *per se* and unjust enrichment.

TXD hereby adopts the arguments and authorities set forth in XTO's Motion to Dismiss as follows:

- 1. Plaintiffs' claims against TXD do not meet the threshold standard of plausibility set forth in *Twombly* and *Iqbal* (XTO Motion at 4-10);
- 2. Plaintiffs' allegations concerning the "Disposal" and/or "Transport" of fluids are insufficient to state a claim for relief against TXD (XTO Motion at 7);
- 3. Plaintiffs have failed to plead facts showing that TXD caused them any harm (XTO Motion at 8-10);
- 4. Plaintiffs failed to allege facts sufficient to show that transportation of produced fluids is subject to strict liability (XTO Brief at 13);
- 5. Plaintiffs continue to allege facts that support additional requisite elements of their other causes of action against TXD (XTO Motion at 15);
- 6. Plaintiffs failed to allege facts sufficient to support their public nuisance and trespass claims (XTO Brief at 15-16);
- 7. Plaintiffs failed to state a plausible negligence claim against TXD (XTO Brief at 16);
- 8. Plaintiffs failed to state a claim for negligence *per se* against TXD (XTO Brief at 18-21); and
- 9. Plaintiffs failed to state an unjust enrichment claim against TXD (XTO Brief at 22).

CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth herein and as adopted through the Motion to Dismiss filed on behalf of XTO, TXD respectfully requests the Court enter an order dismissing all of Plaintiffs' claims against TXD with prejudice and for such other relief as TXD may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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